



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

<b>Application No.:</b>	09/704,364	<b>Examiner:</b>	Michael BROWN
<b>Filing Date:</b>	November 2, 2000	<b>Art Unit:</b>	3772
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<b>For:</b>	<b>MOLDED ORTHOPAEDIC DEVICES</b>		

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF AUGUST 24, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated October 18, 2007 in the above application. Submitted herewith is a substitute declaration which includes the signature of Steven Pelote. Pursuant to MPEP § 602.02, since the original declaration and the appended substitute declaration can be taken together to provide all of the required data, no further declaration should be needed.

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the applicant's attorney, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown below.

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